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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit:	3724	}
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Application No.:	10/803,275	}
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Title:	Hole Punch Having Elements With Non-circular Cutting Surfaces	}
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Inventor:	Pamela Lowenthal	}
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Filed:	March 18, 2004	}
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Attorney	Cynthia L. Smith	}
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Docket No.:	36655-95604	}
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Examiner:	Jason D. Prone	}

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED February 16, 2006

Mail Stop: Non-Fee Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 16, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

This reply includes the following sections:

- I. **Introduction** begin on page 3 of this Response
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I. Introduction

This Response is in reply to a final Office Action mailed on February 16, 2006 having a shortened statutory period for reply of three months or May 16, 2006. This Response includes (1) amendments to the Claims and (2) a Request for Continued Examination.